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SUBJECT: UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION (USITC) TO DETERMINE EFFECT OF INCREASED IMPORTS OF CAST IRON STOVES AND PARTS ON UNITED STATES INDUSTRY

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF A USITC NOTICE PUBLISHED IN THE MARCH 30 FEDERAL REGISTER ANNOUNCING THAT THE COMMISSION HAD INSTITUTED AN INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE WHETHER UNITED STATES PRODUCERS OF CAST IRON STOVES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR ASSISTANCE UNDER THE IMPORT RELIEF PROVISIONS OF THE TRADE ACT OF 1974. BEGIN TEXT:

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INVESTIGATION INSTITUTED. FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF A PETITION ON MARCH 9, 1977, FILED BY THE ATLANTA STOVE WORKS, INC., WASHINGTON STOVE WORKS, UNITED STATES STOVE COMPANY, PORTLAND STOVE FOUNDRY CO., AND MARTIN INDUSTRIES, THE UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION ON MARCH 23, 1977, INSTITUTED AN INVESTIGATION UNDER SECTION 201(B) OF

THE TRADE ACT OF 1974 TO DETERMINE WHETHER STOVES, STOVE PARTS, AND FIREPLACE GRATES, WHOLLY OR ALMOST WHOLLY OF CAST IRON, PROVIDED FOR IN ITEM 653.50 OF THE TARIFF SCHEDULES OF THE UNITED STATES, ARE BEING IMPORTED INTO THE UNITED STATES IN SUCH INCREASED QUANTITIES AS TO BE A SUBSTANTIAL

CAUSE OF SERIOUS INJURY, OR THE THREAT THEREOF, TO THE DOMESTIC INDUSTRY PRODUCING AN ARTICLE LIKE OR DIRECTLY COMPETITIVE WITH THE IMPORTED ARTICLE.

PUBLIC HEARING. A PUBLIC HEARING IN CONNECTION WITH THIS INVESTIGATION WILL BE HELD BEGINNING ON THURSDAY, MAY 19, 1977, IN THE HEARING ROOM OF THE UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION, 701 E STREET, N.W., WASHINGTON, D.C. REQUESTS FOR APPEARANCES AT THE HEARING SHOULD BE FILED, IN WRITING, WITH THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMISSION AT HIS OFFICE IN WASHINGTON NOT LATER THAN NOON, MONDAY, MAY 16, 1977.

INVESTIGATION TO BE EXPEDITED. IT IS THE BELIEF OF THE COMMISSION THAT THE INVESTIGATION CAN BE EXPEDITED AND IT IS THE INTENTION OF THE COMMISSION TO REPORT TO THE PRESIDENT BY JULY 11, 1977, IF POSSIBLE.

INSPECTION OF PETITION. THE PETITION FILED IN THIS CASE IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION AT THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY, UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION, 701 E STREET N.W., WASHINGTON, D.C. 20436, AND AT THE NEW YORK CITY OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL UNCLASSIFIED

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TRADE COMMISSION LOCATED AT 6 WORLD TRADE CENTER. END TEXT.

2. FYI. PORTABLE CAST IRON HOUSEHOLD STOVES DESIGNED FOR USE WITH SOLID FUEL, I.E., HIBACHIS AND OTHER CAST IRON OUTDOOR COOKING GRILLS, FALL WITHIN THE PURVIEW OF ITEM 650.53 CITED IN THE PUBLIC NOTICE BUT IT IS BELIEVED THAT THE INVESTIGATION WILL BE CONCERNED WITH DETERMINING THE EFFECT OF INCREASED IMPORTS OF CAST IRON HOUSEHOLD STOVES USED ALMOST ENTIRELY AS SPACE HEATERS OR AS A COMBINATION SPACE HEATER AND COOKING STOVE. END FYI.

3. IN 1976, UNITED STATES IMPORTS OF CAST IRON HOUSEHOLD STOVES (OTHER THAN PORTABLE TYPES DESIGNED FOR USE WITH SOLID FUEL) AND CAST IRON PARTS OF HOUSEHOLD STOVES (INCLUDING FIREPLACE AND STOVE TOP GRATES) WERE VALUED AT \$24.3 MILLION, OF WHICH \$9.4 MILLION ENTERED FROM TAIWAN THE PRINCIPAL SUPPLIER. ADDITIONAL IMPORTANT SOURCES OF SUPPLY (TRADE VALUED IN MILLIONS OF DOLLARS)

INCLUDED SOUTH KOREA (3.7), CANADA (2.5), JAPAN (1.6),  
DENMARK (1.4) AND SWEDEN (1.4).

4. AS POSTS WILL RECALL, THE TRADE ACT OF 1974 PROVIDES  
THAT THE REPORT OF THE COMMISSION'S DETERMINATION IN  
SECTION 201 CASES SHALL BE MADE AT THE EARLIEST PRACTICABLE  
TIME BUT NOT LATER THAN SIX MONTHS AFTER THE DATE ON WHICH  
THE PETITION IS FILED. POST WILL BE ADVISED OF  
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